# OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOUR IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.

## WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBER FOR BANGALORE CITY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 1952.

### A Fall of 1·0 Point.

The Working Class Cost of Living Index Figure for Bangalore City for the month of August 1952 works up to 344·6 points, thereby recording a fall of 1·0 point when compared with the previous month's figure.

(1) The Index Number of the Food Group increased by 0·2 point to 386·1 points, due to a rise in the prices of Blackgram dhal, Tur dhal, Bengalgram dhal, Avare dhal, Greengram, Jaggery and Cocoanut.

(2) The Index Number of the Fuel and Lighting Group decreased by 1·0 point to 246·3 points, due to a decrease in the price of Castor oil.

(3) The Index Number of the Clothing Group decreased by 1·9 points to 293·9 points, due to a decrease in the price of Cloth for Jackets.

(4) The Index number of the House Rent Group remained stationary at 223·0 points.

(5) The Index Number of the Miscellaneous Group decreased by 4·1 points to 341·8 points, due to a decrease in the price of Washing Soap and Supari.

(Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936=100)

| Articles | Unit of quantity | Weight proportional to total expenditure | Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936 | July 1952 | August 1952 | Index Numbers: July 1952 | August 1952 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Food—* | | | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | | |
| Raw Rice | ... Seer Msr. | 14·0 | 0 2 2 | 0 9 0 | 0 9 0 | 415 | 415 |
| Boiled Rice | ... ,, | 22·6 | 0 2 3 | 0 9 0 | 0 9 0 | 400 | 400 |
| Ragi | ... ,, | 6·6 | 0 1 1 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 369 | 369 |
| Blackgram Dhal | ... ,, | 0·7 | 0 3 1 | 0 12 6 | 0 13 6 | 405 | 438 |
| Tur Dhal | ... ,, | 3·4 | 0 2 8 | 0 10 5 | 0 10 8 | 391 | 400 |
| Bengalgram Dhal | ... ,, | 1·4 | 0 2 11 | 0 11 11 | 0 12 9 | 409 | 437 |
| Avare Dhal | ... ,, | 0·6 | 0 2 7 | 0 11 5 | 0 11 10 | 442 | 458 |
| Greengram | ... ,, | 1·2 | 0 2 0 | 0 9 5 | 0 10 0 | 471 | 500 |
| Sugar | ... Seer Wt. | 1·5 | 0 1 4 | 0 3 11 | 0 3 11 | 294 | 294 |
| Jaggery | ... Viss | 1·9 | 0 3 6 | 0 6 2 | 0 7 5 | 176 | 212 |
| Coffee Seeds | ... Seer Wt. | 1·4 | 0 3 11 | 1 12 0 | 1 12 0 | 715 | 715 |
| Meat | ... 2 lbs. Wt. | 7·2 | 0 7 0 | 2 0 0 | 2 0 0 | 457 | 457 |
| Curds | ... Seer Msr. | 1·9 | 0 1 7 | 0 9 0 | 0 8 7 | 568 | 542 |
| Milk | ... ,, | 6·1 | 0 3 7 | 0 9 6 | 0 9 1 | 265 | 253 |
| Ghee | ... ,, Wt. | 2·7 | 0 6 0 | 1 3 0 | 1 2 4 | 317 | 306 |
| Onions | ... Viss | 1·0 | 0 1 3 | 0 3 11 | 0 3 11 | 313 | 313 |
| Vegetables | ... ,, | 5·6 | 0 2 6 | 0 8 0 | 0 8 0 | 320 | 320 |
| Fruits | ... Dozen. | 0·9 | 0 2 0 | 0 8 0 | 0 8 0 | 400 | 400 |
| Gingelly Oil | ... Seer Wt. | 2·5 | 0 2 0 | 0 10 0 | 0 10 0 | 500 | 500 |
| Groundnut Oil | ... ,, Wt. | 0·4 | 0 1 8 | 0 7 2 | 0 7 0 | 430 | 420 |
| Salt | ... ,, Msr. | 1·1 | 0 1 3 | 0 1 6 | 0 1 6 | 120 | 120 |
| Cocoanut | ... Each | 1·0 | 0 1 0 | 0 2 8 | 0 3 0 | 267 | 300 |
| Tamarind | ... Viss | 0·9 | 0 3 3 | 0 8 0 | 0 7 11 | 246 | 244 |
| Chillies | ... ,, | 2·0 | 0 7 4 | 3 4 0 | 3 4 0 | 709 | 709 |
| Coriander | ... Seer Msr. | 1·3 | 0 1 5 | 0 7 2 | 0 7 0 | 506 | 494 |
| Garlic | ... ,, Wt. | 0·7 | 0 2 0 | 0 6 5 | 0 5 10 | 321 | 292 |
| Wheat Flour | ... ,, Wt. | 1·4 | 0 0 8 | 0 1 9 | 0 1 9 | 263 | 263 |
| Soji | ... ,, Msr. | 1·3 | 0 2 5 | 0 9 0 | 0 8 8 | 372 | 359 |
| Readymade Coffee | ... Cup | 6·3 | 0 0 6 | 0 1 6 | 0 1 6 | 300 | 300 |
| Total | ... | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Index Number—All Food Articles | | | | | ... | 385·9 | 386·1 |
| *Fuel and Lighting—* | | | | | | | |
| Firewood | ... Maund | 72·0 | 0 2 6 | 0 6 0 | 0 6 0 | 240 | 240 |
| Castor Oil | ... Seer Wt. | 7·7 | 0 1 11 | 0 8 0 | 0 7 7 | 417 | 396 |
| Kerosene Oil | ... Bottle | 16·0 | 0 2 1 | 0 3 6 | 0 3 7 | 168 | 172 |
| Match Boxes of 60 sticks. | ... Dozen | 4·3 | 0 2 6 | 0 9 0 | 0 9 0 | 360 | 360 |
| Total | ... | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Index Number—Fuel and Lighting | | | | | | 247·3 | 246·3 |
| *Clothing—* | | | | | | | |
| Dhoties | Pair of 8 yards. | 14·6 | 2 0 9 | 7 8 0 | 7 8 0 | 366 | 366 |
| Coating | ... Yard | 22·5 | 0 5 6 | 0 14 0 | 0 14 0 | 255 | 255 |
| Shirting | ... ,, | 21·5 | 0 4 0 | 0 10 0 | 0 10 0 | 250 | 250 |
| Cloth for Pyjama, etc. | ,, | 3·0 | 0 4 0 | 0 11 0 | 0 11 0 | 275 | 275 |
| Saries | ... Each | 22·4 | 3 0 0 | 8 12 0 | 8 12 0 | 292 | 292 |
| Cloth for Jackets, etc. | Yard | 16·0 | 0 5 0 | 1 2 0 | 1 2 5 | 360 | 348 |
| Total | ... | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Index Number—Clothing | | | | | | 295·8 | 293·9 |
| *House rent—* | | | | | | | |
| House rent | ... | 100·0 | 4 4 3 | 9 8 6 | 9 8 6 | 223 | 223 |
| Total | ... | 100·0 | | | | | |
| Index Number—House Rent | | | | | | 223·0 | 223·0 |

| Articles | Unit of quantity | Weight proportional to total expenditure | Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936 | July 1952 | August 1952 | Index Numbers: July 1952 | August 1952 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Miscellaneous*— | | | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | | |
| Shaving | 1 Shave | 13·0 | 0 1 0 | 0 2 0 | 0 2 0 | 200 | 200 |
| Washing soap | 1 Bar | 17·5 | 0 4 0 | 1 4 6 | 1 4 0 | 513 | 500 |
| Supari | Seer Wt. | 8·4 | 0 3 6 | 1 4 5 | 1 4 1 | 583 | 574 |
| Beedies | Bundle of 25 | 11·2 | 0 1 0 | 0 2 6 | 0 2 6 | 250 | 250 |
| Amusements | 1 Show | 8·4 | 0 2 0 | 0 5 6 | 0 5 6 | 275 | 275 |
| Medicine | Bottle of mixture | 8·3 | 0 4 0 | 0 7 0 | 0 7 0 | 175 | 175 |
| Education | ... | 5·0 | 0 2 9 | 0 6 6 | 0 6 1 | 325 | 304 |
| Flowers | One Bunch | 5·7 | 0 0 6 | 0 2 0 | 0 2 0 | 400 | 400 |
| Household necessaries | Seer Wt. | 22·5 | 0 5 0 | 1 1 0 | 1 1 0 | 340 | 340 |
| Total | | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Index Number—Miscellaneous | | | | | | 345·9 | 341·8 |

| Groups | Weight proportional to total expenditure | Group Index Number: July 1952 | August 1952 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Food ... ... ... | 53·5 | 385·9 | 386·1 |
| Fuel and Lighting ... ... | 7·0 | 247·3 | 246·3 |
| Clothing ... ... ... | 13·8 | 295·8 | 293·9 |
| House Rent ... ... ... | 6·4 | 223·0 | 223·0 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 19·3 | 345·9 | 341·8 |
| Total | 100·0 | ... | ... |
| (Cost of Living Index Number) ... | | 345·6 | 344·6 |

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## Working Class Cost of Living Index Number for K.G.F. Area for the month of August 1952.

### A fall of 0·5 Point.

The Working Class Cost of Living Index Figure for the Kolar Gold Fields Area for the month of August 1952 works up to 381·6 points, thereby recording a fall of 0·5 point when compared with the previous month's figure.

1. The Index Number of the Food Group increased by 1·4 point to 408·7 points, due to a rise in the prices of Blackgram dhal, Tur dhal, Coffee Seeds, Onions, Chillies and Garlic.

2. The Index Number of the Fuel and Lighting Group decreased by 0·8 point to 407·1 points, due to a decrease in the price of Castor oil.

3. The Index Number of the Clothing Group decreased by 15·8 points to 258·2 points, due to a decrease in the prices of Coating, Sarees and Cloth for Jackets.

4. The Index Number of the House Rent Group remained stationary at 155·0 points.

5. The Index Number of the Miscellaneous Group increased by 0·5 point to 340·7 points, due to an increase in the price of Soapnut powder.

(Average prices from July 1935 to June 1936=100)

| | Names of articles | Unit of Quantity | Weight proportional to total expenditure | Average price per unit of quantity: Year ended June 1936 | July 1952 | August 1952 | Index Numbers: July 1952 | August 1952 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Food*— | | | | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p. | | |
| 1 | Rice ... | Seer Measure | 3·5 | 0 2 0 | 0 9 0 | 0 9 0 | 450 | 450 |
| 2 | Boiled Rice ... | " | 36·9 | 0 2 1 | 0 9 0 | 0 9 0 | 432 | 432 |
| 3 | Ragi ... | " | 11·1 | 0 0 11 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 436 | 436 |
| 4 | Blackgram Dhal ... | " | 0·4 | 0 2 11 | 0 14 0 | 0 14 2 | 480 | 486 |
| 5 | Tur Dhal ... | " | 4·2 | 0 2 8 | 0 10 0 | 0 10 1 | 375 | 378 |
| 6 | Bengalgram Dhal ... | " | 0·8 | 0 1 11 | 0 13 0 | 0 13 0 | 678 | 678 |
| 7 | Avare Dhal ... | " | 0·6 | 0 2 1 | 0 13 7 | 0 13 4 | 652 | 640 |
| 8 | Greengram ... | " | 0·6 | 0 1 11 | 0 10 3 | 0 10 3 | 535 | 535 |
| 9 | Sugar ... | Seer wt. | 0·5 | 0 1 4 | 0 3 11 | 0 3 11 | 294 | 294 |
| 10 | Jaggery ... | Viss | 2·8 | 0 3 3 | 0 6 8 | 0 6 8 | 205 | 205 |
| 11 | Coffee seeds ... | Wt. Seer | 1·8 | 0 4 0 | 1 4 9 | 1 6 7 | 519 | 565 |
| 12 | Fish ... | " | 2·1 | 0 3 6 | 1 4 0 | 1 4 0 | 571 | 571 |
| 13 | Meat ... | 2 lbs. Wt. | 9·0 | 0 6 0 | 1 10 0 | 1 10 0 | 325 | 325 |
| 14 | Milk ... | Seer Measure | 2·8 | 0 3 3 | 0 8 0 | 0 8 0 | 246 | 246 |
| 15 | Curds ... | " | 0·6 | 0 2 0 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 200 | 200 |
| 16 | Onions ... | Viss | 0·8 | 0 1 4 | 0 5 5 | 0 6 1 | 406 | 456 |
| 17 | Ghee ... | Seer wt. | 1·1 | 0 6 0 | 0 11 8 | 0 11 7 | 194 | 193 |
| 18 | Gingelly Oil ... | " | 3·2 | 0 2 0 | 0 10 0 | 0 10 0 | 500 | 500 |
| 19 | Cocoanut ... | Each | 0·8 | 0 1 2 | 0 4 0 | 0 4 0 | 343 | 343 |
| 20 | Groundnut Oil ... | Seer wt. | 0·6 | 0 1 7 | 0 5 11 | 0 6 0 | 374 | 379 |
| 21 | Salt ... | Seer Measure | 1·3 | 0 1 2 | 0 1 3 | 0 1 3 | 107 | 107 |
| 22 | Chillies ... | Viss | 4·0 | 0 7 8 | 2 4 6 | 2 6 0 | 476 | 496 |
| 23 | Tamarind ... | " | 1·4 | 0 2 7 | 0 8 0 | 0 7 10 | 310 | 303 |
| 24 | Coriander ... | Seer Measure | 1·2 | 0 1 4 | 0 7 8 | 0 7 7 | 575 | 569 |
| 25 | Garlic ... | Seer Wt. | 0·6 | 0 2 0 | 0 7 9 | 0 7 10 | 388 | 392 |
| 26 | Sojee ... | Seer Measure | 0·3 | 0 2 5 | 0 9 6 | 0 9 5 | 393 | 390 |
| 27 | Vegetables ... | Viss | 3·8 | 0 3 0 | 0 13 0 | 0 13 7 | 433 | 419 |
| 28 | Ready made Coffee ... | Cup | 3·2 | 0 0 6 | 0 1 6 | 0 1 6 | 300 | 300 |
| | Total ... | | 100·0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Index Number—Food Articles ... | | | | | | | 407·3 | 408·1 |